

Alaska's Coastal Program

Coastal Conservation Grants 2003 Application Guidelines



The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Program is to conserve healthy coastal ecosystems for the benefit of fish, wildlife, and people. It accomplishes this through cooperative partnerships that identify, restore, and protect habitat in priority coastal areas.



Alaska's coastal wetland and riparian habitats are key to the region's ecosystem health. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service encourages cooperative public/private partnerships to protect and restore Alaska's coastal habitats. USFWS photo.

Request for Proposals

The FWS Alaska Region Coastal Program is soliciting proposals for cooperative coastal projects with an emphasis on the watersheds of Southcentral and Southeast Alaska. Projects may involve habitat protection, restoration, research, public education, or other work benefitting coastal ecosystems. Projects may not involve political advocacy or litigation of any kind.

Applications are encouraged from nonprofit organizations, educational organizations, state, local, and tribal governments. Grant requests should not exceed \$25,000. A non-federal match of 40% or more of the total project cost, either in cash or in in-kind services, is desired.

We will give priority to projects which best meet the Coastal Program's mission to protect, restore, and promote public stewardship of coastal ecosystems for the benefit of fish, wildlife, and people. The program carries out this mission by encouraging the development of broad innovative conservation partnerships.

Detailed instructions for applications are provided on the back of this page.

Examples of Recently Funded Projects:

- Special Areas Inholdings Assessment Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- Cook Inlet Important Bird Areas National Audubon Society
- Anchor River Watershed Coordinator Community Rivers Planning Coalition
- Anchor River Strategic Land
 Conservation Program
 The Nature Conservancy and
 Kachemak Heritage Land Trust
- Tuxedni Kamishak Bays Conservation Plan Alaska Natural Heritage Program
- Southcentral Alaska Willow Guide Kenai Watershed Forum
- Tyonek Fish Passage Restoration
 Tyonek Native Association
- Klawock Estuary Restoration Alaska Trollers Association and Ducks Unlimited
- Ship Creek Watershed Coordination Anchorage Waterways Council
- Yakutat Shorebird Reserve Economic Assessment City and Borough of Yakutat

Directions for Proposal Submittal

Project proposals should follow the format described in the box above, and be no more than three pages in length. Proposals must be postmarked or emailed no later than January 31, 2003 (this deadline is absolute for work to be initiated in spring or summer 2003). Proposals received after that date may be considered for remaining available funds or for funding in Fiscal Year 2004.

Proposal Format

Project Title

Funds Requested

Project Abstract

Provide a clear description of the project in 100 words or less, including what you propose to do, where you will do it, and how it will benefit coastal ecosystems.

Project Description

- Describe how the project will promote the conservation of coastal ecosystems. Specifically, how will the project protect, restore, inventory, or enhance habitats for migratory birds, anadromous fish, and/or marine mammals? Examples include habitat acquisition, restoration, or enhancement; habitat or resource assessment; or educational programs or products.
- Describe specific anadromous fish streams, recreational fisheries, wetlands, migratory bird habitats, or other resources that will benefit.
- Describe how project success will be measured. Examples include feet of restored streambank, acres of restored or enhanced wetlands, specific information on the creation and distribution of information and educational products, or contributions to and purpose of GIS products.
- Describe how the project will build partnerships for coastal conservation. Identify all federal and non-federal partners, and the nature of each one's contributions.

Project Location

Describe the location of your project. Please include a map.

Budget

- A) Applicant's contribution (including both monetary and in-kind services)
- B) Funds requested from Coastal Program
- C) Partners' contributions (including monetary and in-kind services)

Total Project Cost (should be sum of A, B, and C)

Proposal Contact

Include name, agency or organization, address, phone, FAX, e-mail.

Submit proposals and direct questions about Southcentral Alaska projects to:

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Phone: 907/271 1799 Fax: 907/271 2786

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Submit proposals and direct questions about Southeast Alaska projects to:

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Additional copies of this document may be found at: http://alaska.fws.gov/es/cpapplic.pdf

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